Where Should I Walk: Walk Study Checklist



Walkability Study

The goals of the walkability study are to increase neighborhood residents walking in their neighborhood and to identify destination places that are within walking distance.

This will be done by walking with neighborhood residents to identify positive places to walk in their neighborhood, inventory barriers to pedestrians and bikers, and identify neighborhood destinations.

Study Information

Community Name	
Date of Walk Study:	
Participants:	City Staff:
	Adults:
	Children:
Distance Walked:	(ex.1.78 miles)
Weather Conditions:	(ex. Partly Cloudy, low 50's)

Helpful Tips:

- Carry a clipboard and bring a backpack with water, snacks, sunscreen and a camera.
- Take a lot of pictures of things that you encounter that are good and bad during your walk.

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact the Healthy Places Coordinator at Columbus Public Health:

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Playability/Recreation

Check	the boxes for:	Playgrounds:
	Available shade.	
	Benches or tables for seating.	
	Water Fountains.	
	Play equipment appropriate for young children.	
	Smooth asphalt playground.	
	Regularly mowed open spaces.	
Check	the boxes for:	Playgrounds:
	Lack of available shade.	
	No benches or tables for seating.	
	No working water fountain.	
	Unsafe playground equipment.	
	Deteriorated asphalt.	
	Open spaces that are not mowed.	
	I, how would you rate the recreational	Rating: (circle one) 1 2 3 4 5
opporti	unities in your neighborhood?	Few Many
Comn	nents:	

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Neighborhood Streets and Sidewalks

	the boxes for:	List the streets/addresses:						
	Sidewalks are wide with room to pass other walkers or walk with a friend.							
	Sidewalks are continuous throughout the walk.							
Check the boxes for:		List the streets/addresses:						
	Sidewalks are uneven, cracked or broken.							
	Sidewalks are missing or stop in places.							
	There are no sidewalks or designated walking areas.							
	, how would you rate the sidewalks within your	Rating: (circle one)	1	2	3	4	5	
neighborhood?			Few	1			Many	
Comments:								

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Safety

Check the boxes for:		List the streets/addresses:	
	Lighting is bright.		
	Neighbors are outside.		_
	Dogs are secured.		_
	Traffic is calm.		_
	Drivers obey stop signs and crosswalks.		
Check	the boxes for:	List the streets/addresses:	
	No one else is outside.		
	Dogs are intimidating or not secured.		_
	There is no lighting.		
	Drivers ignore stop signs and crosswalks.		_
	Traffic is fast or unsafe.		
Overall, how safe do you feel walking in your neighborhood?		Rating: (circle one) 1 2 3 4 5	
		Few Many	
Comments:			

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Housing

Check the boxes for:	List the streets/addresses:
☐ Houses are well-kept and yards are mowed.	
☐ There is no excessive noise.	
☐ There is a pleasant feeling about the street.	
Check the boxes for:	List the streets/addresses:
☐ Houses are not well maintained.	
☐ Excessive noise comes from houses.	
☐ Criminal activity may be taking place.	
Overall, how would you rate the housing environment	Rating: (circle one) 1 2 3 4 5
in your neighborhood	Few Many
Comments:	

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Community Gathering Places

Check the boxes for:	List the streets/addresses:
☐ Neighbors can buy food and groceries.	
☐ Neighbors can gather with friends.	
☐ Neighbors can worship together.	
Overall, how would you rate the opportunities for	Rating: (circle one) 1 2 3 4 5
community building in your neighborhood?	Few Many
Comments:	

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CATEGORY

Check the boxes for:	List the streets/addresses:	
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Overall, how would you rate the within your	Rating: (circle one) 1 2 3 4 5	
neighborhood?	Few Many	
Comments:		